

COUNCIL – AGENDA BUSINESS PROCESSING IN BLOCK

POLICY

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POLICY IS COMPLIANT WITH THE CHARTER OF HUMAN RIGHTS LEGISLATION

In instances when Council has Standing Committees in place, which Committees **DO NOT** have delegated authority to make determinations and therefore are required to submit recommendations to Council for formal decision, such Committee recommendations listed for consideration on the Council meeting agenda shall be dealt with in block where considered appropriate by the Chairperson.

The following process shall facilitate this:

- (a) At the outset, the Chairperson shall ask Councillors whether there are any Committee recommendations that they wish to further discuss and consider. (n.b. Items in which a Councillor has previously declared a pecuniary interest should be excluded from a block vote);
- (b) At this time the Chairperson will also ask members of the gallery whether there is any person present to address Council on any of these items in accordance with Council policy;
- (c) Those items nominated by Councillors or items, which are the subject of a submission or pecuniary interest, will be noted by the Chairperson and Committee clerk, after which the Chairperson shall call for a mover and seconder for all remaining items to be put to the meeting in block. The motion shall then be put to the meeting and voted on;
- (d) The mover and seconder shall be recorded in the minutes for each item. (A protocol may be established to enable this responsibility to be shared and rotated between Councillors); and
- (e) The meeting shall then consider those items, which were previously nominated to be dealt with separately.